Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota Office of the Governor

Whereas, South Dakota Farm Bureau is a grassroots membership organization established in 1917 when the first county Farm Bureaus banded together to create the state organization and today represents more than 16,000 farm, ranch, and rural families; and,

Whereas, South Dakota Farm Bureau is designed to serve its members and enrich their lives through advocacy, rural community support, and policy development; and,

Whereas, South Dakota Farm Bureau members surface issues and develop policy based on their beliefs and concerns, and provide strong advocacy work at the local, state, and national levels and take action for farm and ranch families and rural communities; and,

Whereas, South Dakota Farm Bureau plays an important role in the success of South Dakota's agricultural industry and the economic vibrancy of the state's rural communities; and,

Whereas, South Dakota Farm Bureau is celebrating its 100th anniversary of its founding and commend the continued service to its members with a steadfast focus on land, livestock, and life and to continue serving as the trusted leader in agriculture:

Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim 2017 as

CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION OF SOUTH DAKOTA FARM BUREAU YEAR

in South Dakota.

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In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Sixth Day of February in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Seventeen.

Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

Shantel Krebs, Secretary of State

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